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SUBJ: MULTILATERAL AFFAIRS: SEVENTH ISLAMIC FOREIGN MINISTERS'  
CONFERENCE - ISTANBUL

REF: (A) ANKARA 3604, (B) STATE 108501

1. DURING CONVERSATION MAY 17 WITH DEPFONMIN RAFA'I AND MFA DIRECTOR (IO) KAYLANI, AMBASSADOR WAS TOLD THAT ISLAMIC FOREIGN MINISTERS' CONFERENCE HAD APPROVED TWO RESOLUTIONS ON ME. FIRST, IDENTICAL TO THAT ADOPTED LAST YEAR AT JIDDA, CALLED FOR "DEPRIVING ISRAEL OF MEMBERSHIP IN UN." (ARABIC WORD USED, ACCORDING TO KAYLANI, WAS "HIRMAN," MEANING DEPRIVATION, EXCLUSION, EXCOMMUNICATION, DISPOSSESSION, ETC.)

2. SECOND RESOLUTION, KAYLANI SAID, WAS A SPECIFIC ONE ON PALESTINIAN ISSUE AND CALLED FOR ISRAELI "EXPULSION," OR "TARD" IN ARABIC. KAYLANI SAID THERE HAD BEEN FORTY-TWO PARTICIPANTS AT ISTANBUL CONFERENCE, INCLUDING LATEST MEMBER THE COMORES, AND PLO.

3. AMB DREW ON TALKING POINTS REF B TO EXPRESS US  
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POSITION TOWARD THESE DECISIONS, EMPHASIZING THAT IN OUR VIEW SUCH MOVES WOULD HAVE EFFECT OF MAKING ISRAELI GOVERNMENT MORE INTRACTABLE RATHER THAN LESS SO AND WOULD SERVE TO INCREASE PUBLIC SUPPORT FOR ISRAEL IN U.S. EUROPE AND ELSEWHERE. AMBASSADOR ALSO EXPRESSED BROADER U.S. OP-POSITION TO EXPULSION OF MEMBER STATES FROM UN AND REMINDED SYRIAN OFFICIALS THAT EXPULSION BY USE OF THE CREDENTIALS PROCESS WAS NOT IN ACCORDANCE WITH UN CHARTER STIPULATION

THAT MEMBER STATE MAY BE DEPRIVED OF ITS RIGHTS ONLY ON  
RECOMMENDATION OF UN SECURITY COUNCIL.

4. IN REPLY DEPFONMIN STATED THAT ISRAEL'S MEMBER-  
SHIP IN UN HAD BEEN CONDITIONED ON ITS RESPECT FOR UN CHARTER  
AND WILLINGNESS TO IMPLEMENT UN RESOLUTIONS AND ISTANBUL  
DECISIONS WERE BASED ON ISRAEL'S NON-RECOGNITION OF  
THESE BASIC RESPONSIBILITIES.

5. COMMENT: CAMPAIGN FOR ISRAELI SUSPENSION HAS BEEN  
LAUNCHED AND IT APPEARS THAT, ONCE AGAIN, SYRIA  
WILL BE IN FOREFRONT OF NATIONS SUPPORTING THIS ACTION.  
WE WILL CONTINUE TO MAKE POINTS REF B WITH SYRIAN OFFICIALS  
OVER COMING MONTHS BUT FRANKLY SEE NO REALISTIC POSSIBILITY  
OF DIVERTING OR BLUNTING THEIR COMMITMENT AND DETERMINATION  
TO SEEK SUPPORT FOR STRONGEST POSSIBLE ACTION AGAINST  
ISRAEL AT 31ST UNGA.

6. WHILE ISSUE OF ZIONISM AS RACISM WAS NOT RAISED DURING  
MAY 17 MEETING, WE NOTE THAT IN ITS MAY 13 EDITION DAMASCUS  
DAILY TISHRIIN REPORTED THAT SYRIA'S UN PERMREP ALLAF HAD  
CRITICIZED RECENT VISIT OF SOUTH AFRICAN PRIMIN VORSTER TO  
ISRAEL BEFORE UN SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON RACISM. ACCORDING  
TO ARTICLE, ALLAF HAD ASSERTED THAT VISIT WAS "RENEWED  
PROOF THAT SPECIAL TIES EXIST BETWEEN THESE TWO RACIST  
REGIMES" AND HAD DEMANDED THAT SANCTIONS BE IMPOSED ON  
ISRAEL IN SAME MANNER AS THEY HAD BEEN IMPOSED ON SOUTH  
AFRICA. OUR JUDGMENT IS THAT SYRIA WILL BE JUST AS  
UNCOMPROMISING ON THIS ISSUE AS IT WILL BE ON  
ISRAELI SUSPENSION.  
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